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this settlement is not in the public interest.

As a retired attorney and a former chief deputy state attorney general (with no connections to any party involved) I have followed this litigation closely. The settlement that has been reached is appropriate for all. The staste attorneys general never had any business becoming involved in this litigation in the first place, and I have no doubt that for most of them, the motivation was solely political. From the outset the states were bit players, hanging on at the fringe, and for a few of them to now try to block

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